

DECLARATION OF JOHN STEWART

- 1. I am the Managing Director for K-12 Education at MindSHIFT Technologies. MindSHIFT is the service provider for Public Prep Network ("Public Prep"), providing IT support, hardware, software and internet services, among other things.
- 2. Public Prep engaged an Erate consultant to submit their Erate Form 472.
- 3. It is my understanding that Public Prep's consultant submitted the Form 472 on or about October 22, 2015 approximately 5 days prior to the October 28, 2015 deadline.
- 4. I did not, nor did anyone at MindSHIFT, receive notification from USAC of Public Prep's submission.
- 5. MindSHIFT does NOT receive automatic notification from USAC once a Form 472 has been filed online and has never received notification from USAC regarding these types of filings. It is not a part of our practice to routinely check the USAC database for pending certifications.
- 6. To the best of my knowledge, it is my understanding that MindSHIFT has never certified a Form 472 for Public Prep.
- 7. On or about January 11, 2016, Michael McKee, Director of Technology at Public Prep, informed be that the Form 472 had been submitted, and that MindSHIFT needed to certify.
- 8. On or about February 22, 2016, MindSHIFT submitted the Form 472 certification via US Mail.
- 9. To the best of my knowledge, I state that the appeal and the foregoing are true and correct.

June 30, 2016

Managing Director

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